



DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Agency Information Collection Activities: Form I-290B, Extension of an Existing Information Collection; Comment Request.

Action: 60-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review: Form I-290B, Notice of Appeal or Motion.

The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will be submitting the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until [Insert date 60 days from date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

During this 60-day period, USCIS will be evaluating whether to revise the Form I-290B. Should USCIS decide to revise the Form I-290B it will advise the public when we publish the 30-day notice in the Federal Register in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. The public will then have 30-days to comment on any revisions to the Form I-290B.

Written comments and suggestions regarding items contained in this notice, and especially with regard to the estimated public burden and associated response time should be directed to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), USCIS, Chief, Regulatory Products Division, Clearance Office, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20529-2020. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202-272-8352, or via e-mail at uscisfrcomment@dhs.gov. When submitting comments by e-mail, please add the OMB Control Number 1615-0095 in the subject box. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

- (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

- (1) **Type of Information Collection:** Extension of an existing information collection.
- (2) **Title of the Form/Collection:** Notice of Appeal or Motion
- (3) **Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection:** Form I-290B, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- (4) **Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:** Primary: Individuals or Households. Form I-290B is necessary in order for USCIS to make a determination that the appeal or motion to reopen or reconsider meets the eligibility requirements, and for USCIS to adjudicate the merits of the appeal or motion to reopen or reconsider.

- (5) **An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:** 38,926 responses at 90 minutes (1.5 hours) per response.
- (6) **An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:** 58,389 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please visit: <http://www.regulations.gov/>

We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Regulatory Products Division, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20529-2020, telephone number 202-272-8377.

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